

Notice of
award to be giv-
en parties to the
reference before
confirmation.

SEC. 4. No award made by or under an order of a Court of Probate and returned to Court, shall be confirmed until after notice of the award shall have been given to the parties to the reference or their representatives, and any party may file exceptions or show cause against the award upon any ground on the face of it, or extrinsic thereto, and the Court may confirm or reject the same and remand the case to the referees for a new award, or appoint a new reference.

Courts of Pro-
bate may make
rules.

SEC. 5. The Courts of Probate may make such rules respecting the notice to be given in case of awards and exceptions, and showing cause and a hearing in the premises as they may deem reasonable.

Repealing
clause.

SEC. 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of the foregoing sections are hereby repealed.

When act to
be in force.

SEC. 7. This act shall be in force from and after the date of its ratification.

Ratified the 24th day of August, A. D., 1868.

Chapter 54.

AN ACT CONCERNING REFUNDING BONDS.

Refunding
bonds to be filed

SECTION 1. *The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact*, That hereafter all refunding bonds taken by executors and administrators with the descriptive lists of the property delivered, shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the County, within ninety days after they shall have been taken, and the Clerk shall cause a record to be made thereof.

Power of
Clerks of Super-
ior Courts.

SEC. 2. That the Clerks of said Courts shall have as full and ample power in every respect whatever as to the filing and recording of said bonds and lists as the County Courts formerly had; including the power to allow them to be filed now as of the proper term, in all cases where they were not filed at the first term of the proper Court, after being execu-